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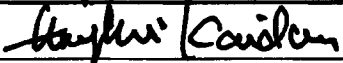
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**SIGNATURE of Assignee of Record**

The individual whose signature and title is supplied below is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee

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**STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)**Applicant/Patent Owner: The Yokohama Rubber Co., Ltd.Application No./Patent No.: 10/553,074 Filed/Issue Date: October 12, 2005Entitled: METHOD FOR PRODUCING RUBBER FROM RUBBER LATEX

The Yokohama Rubber Co., Ltd., a corporation  
 (Name of Assignee) (Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.)

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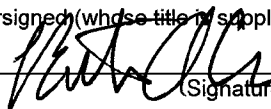
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- ☒ As required by 37 CFR 3.73(b)(1)(i), the documentary evidence of the chain of title from the original owner to the assignee was, or concurrently is being, submitted for recordation pursuant to 37 CFR 3.11.

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